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PATENT  
Customer No. 22,852  
Attorney Docket No. 06556.0003-04

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: )  
John POLK ) Group Art Unit: 2716  
Serial No.: Unassigned ) Examiner: E. Cosimano  
Filed: October 12, 2001 )  
For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR )  
PAYMENT PROCESSING USING )  
DEBIT-BASED ELECTRONIC )  
FUNDS TRANSFER AND )  
DISBURSEMENT PROCESSING )  
USING ADDENDUM-BASED )  
ELECTRONIC DATA )  
INTERCHANGE )

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Prior to the examination of the above application, please amend this application  
as follows:

IN THE TITLE:

Please amend the title to read "METHODS AND APPARATUS FOR CHILD  
*B1* SUPPORT PAYMENT PROCESSING AND CHILD SUPPORT DISBURSEMENT  
PROCESSING BY A PROCESSING ENTITY."